



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Christopher Tzann-En Szeto

Serial No.: 10/057,735

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For: PROVIDING INSTANT MESSAGING FUNCTIONALITY IN NON-INSTANT
MESSAGING ENVIRONMENTS

: Confirmation No.: 2794

: Group Art Unit: 2144

: Examiner: Maniwang, Joseph R.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2006, the shortened statutory period for which runs until January 20, 2007. Please revise the subject application as indicated below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.